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**RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION**

Sir:

Pursuant to the Restriction Requirement imposed in the Official Action dated January 25, 2008, applicants provisionally elect the claims of Group I, i.e., Claims 1-7, for continued prosecution herein.

Claims 1-9 and 11 are present in the above-captioned application and have been subjected to restriction under 35 U.S.C. §121. Specifically, the Official Action avers that the following inventions are present in the claims:

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Group I, Claims 1-7, drawn to a distributed computing system to facilitate a dynamic availability of an eCommerce service to a user over the Internet comprising, a web server in communication with a browser of a user which authenticates the user and communicates group information to the browser of the user, said browser communicates said received group information to a Lookup Server; and said Lookup Server configured which acts as a registry tracks at least one eCommerce service available to the user and, in response to said group information, provides dynamic updates to the browser new and/or updated eCommerce service until said browser logs off said web server, classified in class 705, subclass 1;

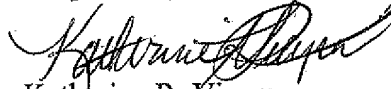
Group II, Claims 8, 9 and 11, drawn to a system for providing remote access to services on a network, the system comprising a network server; at least one client browser in communication with the network server, said network server configured to authenticate said client browser; at least one LoadBalancer/ComputeServer in communication with the network server; a database in communication with the network server and including user, group and services information, said database storing at least client information; and a Lookup Server configured to act as registry for tracking said one or more eCommerce service; wherein, in response to data provided by said network server to said client browser, said data based on stored user information of said client browser and the user, group and services information accessed in the database, said Lookup Server provides dynamic updates to said client browser of new and/or updated eCommerce services until said client browser logs off said web server and; wherein said computationally intensive jobs are distributed to the at least one LoadBalancer/ComputeServer:for execution, classified in class 705, subclass 1.

It is the Examiner's position that the inventions listed as Groups I and II are distinct from each other.

In response to the Examiner's requirement for restriction, applicants provisionally elect to prosecute the subject matter of Group I, Claims 1-7. However, applicants reserve the right under 35 U.S.C. §121 to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected claims in this application.

In view of the foregoing, an examination on the merits of the elected claims, at an early date, is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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